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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Test Materials for the Multi-Format Data Block Reader

1. Six of the twelve formats to be read by the Multi-Format Data Block Reader (MFDBR) are configured in accordance with MIL-STD 782 B. At the inception of this contract, nearly three years ago, it was felt that this format would be in operational use by the time of delivery of the reader. This has not turned out to be the case and consequently, there is no MIL-STD 782 B configuration, recorded by a fixed geometry solid state recording head, available for testing.

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2. On 1 March 1967, presented an informal unsolicited proposal to modify a KA-56 panoramic camera and supply associated equipment to produce a roll of test film containing variable data to test the MIL-STD 782 B data block format. The proposal, for was to be fixed price and awarded on a no profit basis. It essentially was a cost sharing proposal in that would supply all the hardware and NPIC would pay for the materials, engineering, etc.

- 3. After discussion, it was decided by DS/TDS to turn down the proposal and waive the testing of the six MIL-STD 782 B formats on the MFDBR. This action has been coordinated with Mr. Silas Maddox of GIMRADA, who is purchasing the second instrument under the existing contract.
- 4. An attempt will be made to obtain some operational material from the Navy which has the MIL-STD 782 B format (CRT recorded), and try to read this with the MFDRB. However, it must be pointed out that the machine has not been designed to read CRT recordings only solid state, fixed geometry recordings.

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